

## ReadMe for GedStar Pro V3.2

This is release **3.2** of **GedStar PRO**, a program for direct conversion of PC-based genealogy data into a format displayable on a PalmOS handheld device. It is intended to be able to show almost all of the data that is in the user's database. This version supports *The Master Genealogist*, *Legacy Family Tree*, *Family Tree Maker*, and *Personal Ancestral File* for direct import of genealogy data. However, in order to use this program with FTM or PAF, the appropriate special "extension" must be purchased from Wholly Genes, Inc. at <http://www.whollygenes.com>. This product also supports conversion from **GEDCOM 5.5** files, making **GedStar Pro** usable by all genealogists with PC-based software.

If you are not already a **GedStar Pro** user, you will require a registration password in order to keep the application on your Palm device working beyond the 28-day trial period. After the demo period, you can purchase your registration from the same site from which you downloaded the product. This site is shown in the **About** dialog on the handheld program. Tap the menu icon in the toolbar in any of the main views, then tap **Options** and **About GedStar Pro**.

For product support for **GedStar Pro**, visit our web site at <http://www.gedstarpro.com> or send a message to [support@gedstar.com](mailto:support@gedstar.com).

### Installation

- If you are already a **GedStar Pro** user, you should *remove* any existing **GedStar Pro** software from your PC using the *Add/Remove Programs* applet in the control panel. It is not necessary to delete the application from your handheld. Your existing product registration will remain intact – you will not need to re-register.
- After downloading the installation software, double-click it to start the installation procedure.
- *If you are running under Microsoft Vista*, you should instead right-click on the installation software file and select **Run as Administrator** from the pop-up menu. Alternatively, you can install the software from an Administrator account.
- After the PC installation completes, Hotsync your device to install the new application on your handheld.
- Read the **Quick Start** guide or run **GedStar Pro** on your PC from the **Start > Programs > GedStar Pro** menu.

### Upgrading from Previous Version

If you are a current user of GedStar Pro (any version, including V3.1), *it will be necessary for you to re-convert and re-sync any existing genealogy databases that you have loaded onto your handheld device*. GedStar Pro V3.0 has a new internal database format that is not compatible with previous versions. If databases from previous versions are found on the handheld, they will automatically be deleted.

If you have already been using V3.0, your existing databases will work correctly with the new version; no re-conversion is required.

## Registration

- If you did not do it before downloading, new users of **GedStar Pro** must purchase a registration from the site where you originally downloaded the product within 28 days. After that time, no new database can be converted.

## Fixes

- “Primary” and “First” photo options now work correctly.
- Legacy *Address* for individuals now works correctly.
- Searches default paths for Legacy photos.
- Photo conversion works for Personal Ancestral File, Family Tree Maker, and GEDCOM files as well as for The Master Genealogist and Legacy Family Tree.

## New Features in V3.1

- Changes for compatibility with Windows Vista™. Database (“*.pdb*”) and log files are now created in a *GedStar Pro* folder under the user’s *My Documents* folder. This should make them easier to find, and is a requirement for Vista compatibility.
- Source citation exhibits/photos should now work for the non-standard “linked file” GEDCOM construction used by *Family Historian*.
- Support non-standard CHAR tag for GEDCOM files generated by the *Tribal Pages* online genealogy site.
- Removed citation exhibit support for TMG, FTM, and PAF. The citation exhibit feature is not currently supported by GenBridge, so we will have to wait for a fix from Wholly Genes. This feature should continue to work for Legacy and GEDCOM users.
- On the handheld, research tasks (to-do items) for individual persons, etc. can now be filtered to show or not show completed tasks. Previously this filtering only worked on the master Research Log screen; now it works when accessing the tasks from an individual’s screen or any other item that can have a task assigned to it.
- Sources associated directly with an individual in a GEDCOM file, as opposed to sources associated with an event, are now recognized and handled by creating a “General sources” event and attaching them to that.
- Exhibits, including photos, are now supported for *source citations* as well as for the source records themselves. This currently works only for Legacy and GEDCOM imports.
- The GedStar Pro PC program now automatically opens the most recently saved configuration file when it is launched. If you only have one database that you’re working with – by far the most common case – then you should no longer have to click on the **File** menu item to reload your conversion settings.
- New version of GenBridge library (changes of internal interest only).

## Known Problems

- The thumbwheel control on the Garmin iQue does not work in the intended way in certain screens. This is due to the way that Garmin implemented this control, and we are still looking for a technical solution.

## Note on PalmOS Libraries

This release of GedStar Pro utilizes libraries for photo decompression that were developed by third parties, but which must be installed on the handheld along with the GedStar Pro application if any photos are to be displayed. These libraries are in the program files **JpegLib.prc** and **pnoJpegLib.prc**. These files are installed by default during the program installation procedure and can also be found in the installation directory on your PC (default: **C:\Program Files\GedStar Pro**).

If you are an experienced PalmOS handheld user, you can delete the unneeded library from your handheld as follows:

- For PalmOS V5.0 and later devices, you can remove **JpegLib**.
- For PalmOS versions lower than V5.0, you can remove **pnoJpegLib**.

However, in all cases it will not harm anything to have both libraries installed (or neither if you do not have any pictures).